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Dear Reader:

The Tuscarora Field Office has completed an environmental assessment (EA) for the permit renewal process on the Bottari Allotment. The EA follows the Draft Northeastern Great Basin Standards and Guidelines for Rangeland Health Assessment for the Bottari Allotment completed in July 2009.

The 2009 Draft Standards and Guidelines Assessment has been incorporated by reference into the EA. In response to the July 2009 Assessment, the BLM received an email from Western Watersheds Project (WWP) on July 20, 2009. Comments were also received from the Sustainable Grazing Coalition. No additional comments were received from other entities identified as "Interested Public" interested in livestock grazing on the Bottari Allotment.

Please find enclosed the EA and draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Bottari Allotment Grazing Permit Renewal. These documents along with the July 2009 Draft Standards and Guidelines Assessment for the Bottari Allotment are also located at:

http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/elko_field_office/blm_information/nepa.html.

The EA and draft FONSI are available for public review through November 16, 2010. Email comments related to this project can be sent to: TuscFO_NEPA@blm.gov. Following this review period, BLM will issue a proposed and final decision.

If you have any questions concerning the subject matter or are unable to access the documents online and require a hard copy, please contact Jerrie Bertola, Rangeland Management Specialist, at (775) 753-0261.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Overcast

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